

Nadine Bestougeff CD 14 PP. 37-39

Under date of November 23, 1963, Caslov Stanjovic, Math professor, University of Detroit, Detroit, Michigan, an acquaintance of Nadine Bestougeff, a French National, who arrived in the U.S. from Paris, August 22, 1963, felt Bestougeff was in on the planning of the assassination of the President of the U.S. or at least knew there was something being planned.

The following investigation concerning Nadine Bestougeff was conducted on November 23, 1963, by SA's John E. Shimota, and Daniel W. Rilts, Jr.:

AT HOUSTON TEXAS,

Mrs. Jeanne Oster, Director YWCA, 1118 Crawford Street, Houston, made available a record which disclosed the following:

Nadine Bestougeff, born October 8, 1937, single, a graduate of the University of Paris, Paris, France, registered at the YWCA, September 8, 1963, and departed November 11, 1963. Her residence was shown as 214 Boulevard Voltaire, Paris, France, and her parents were indicated as, "Bestougeff," 12 Rue Jean Thomas, Eaubonne, France. In Houston, she was participating in some training program of the Continental Oil Company, Houston, Texas. She indicated the following references to the YWCA:

Dr. Pervou Chine, McGill University, Montreal Canada

Dr. Lazard, Chemistry Dept., Mt. Sinai Hospital, 5th Avenue, at 100 Street, New York City

Mrs. Oster advised that Nadine Bestougeff was a model resident at the YWCA, and she was most interested in travel and sight seeing. Mrs. Oster stated that Bestougeff had spent several days in Mexico for the purpose of sight seeing and when she left Houston, Texas, on November 11, 1963, she intended to visit in several localities in the U.S. prior to arriving in New York City. Mrs. Oster had a recollection that Bestougeff intended to depart the U.S. from N.Y.C. to return to her home in France on or about December 1, 1963. According to Mrs. Oster, Bestougeff gave no indication of being an individual with tendencies of violence nor was she known to have indicated any strong Communist or other political feelings.

Mrs. Charles E. Bethel, Jr., Director Petrochemical Market Research, Continental Oil Co., upon interview at his residence, 4839, Warm Springs, Houston Texas, informed as follows:

Nadine Bestougeff, a French National, was associated without compensation with Continental Oil Co., Houston, as a trainee in Market Research Development. She was so associated from approx. September 8, 1963, until approx. November 11, 1963. When leaving Houston on the latter date, she intended to arrive in N.Y.C. shortly prior to December 1, 1963, the date she planned to depart the U.S. in route to France. She intended to proceed to N.Y.C., by way of Atlanta, Chicago, and Detroit. Her visits were presumably for sight seeing. This was her first trip to the U.S. and when she first arrived in N.Y.C. from France, she proceeded directly to Mexico, where she visited approx. 2 weeks. She then proceeded to Houston from Mexico, and entered upon her training with Continental Oil Co., while in Houston. Bestougeff spent a weekend in New Orleans and she also spent a weekend in Dallas. According to Mrs. Bethel, those trips were for sight seeing. She was not known to have dated while in Houston, and she was not known to have any close friends. Her father is believed to be well known in CFR, a french oil company. Miss Bestougeff manifested a genuine interest in her work, and upon return to France, intended to resume work in that field. To the best of Mr. Bethel's knowledge, Bestougeff demonstrated no tendencies of violence, she would not become involved in discussions of Communism or other political subjects, and her personal conduct was regarded as most satisfactory.

J.H. Bennett, Inspector, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Houston, and Mrs. Adeline Dean, Credit Bureau of Greater Houston, Houston, Texas, upon check of their respective records advised nothing could be located identifiable with Nadine Bestougeff. (More documents referring to Nadine Bestougeff appear in CD # 1107 Volume 1 PP 127-132, but no new material is shown)